

## House Resolution 2157

By: Representatives Roberts of the 154<sup>th</sup>, Richardson of the 19<sup>th</sup>, Byrd of the 20<sup>th</sup>, Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>, and Chambers of the 81<sup>st</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending America's Promise - The Alliance for Youth; recognizing April 17 through  
2 April 23, 2006, as America's Promise Week in Georgia; and extending gratitude to Monica  
3 Pang, its national spokeswoman and the reigning Miss Georgia; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, America's Promise - The Alliance for Youth, founded by Colin Powell, was  
5 initiated at the President's Summit in 1997 and has received the support of Presidents Bush,  
6 Carter, Clinton, Ford, and Reagan; and

7 WHEREAS, President George W. Bush reaffirmed his commitment in 2001 to this important  
8 initiative; and

9 WHEREAS, its mission is to strengthen the character and competence of America's youth  
10 and to see that every child in America has the fundamental resources he or she needs to be  
11 prepared for the future; and

12 WHEREAS, the five promises all children should have at their disposal are caring adults in  
13 their lives, such as parents, mentors, tutors, and coaches; safe places with structured activities  
14 in which to learn and grow; a healthy start and healthy future; an effective education that  
15 equips them with marketable skills; and an opportunity to give back to their communities  
16 through their own service; and

17 WHEREAS, America's Promise is an alliance that brings together communities, individuals,  
18 companies, and organizations from all sectors to improve opportunities for children and  
19 youth; and

20 WHEREAS, America's Promise utilizes donations received to improve health care in schools,  
21 provide education for technology, recruit mentors for young people, and build and maintain  
22 community centers; and

1 WHEREAS, America's Promise continues to find new ways to serve youth in our nation as  
2 demonstrated in response to the recent Gulf Coast hurricanes by beginning a program called  
3 Katrina's Kids to help young victims recover from this disaster and focus on laying the  
4 foundation for a successful future in the face of enormous challenges; and

5 WHEREAS, the reigning Miss Georgia, Monica Pang, is the national spokeswoman for this  
6 organization and has provided leadership and recognition for the vital work of this initiative.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
8 this body commends America's Promise - The Alliance for Youth; recognizes April 17  
9 through April 23, 2006, as America's Promise Week in Georgia; extends its gratitude to Miss  
10 Georgia, Monica Pang, for her dedication to this worthwhile endeavor.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Monica Pang.